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SUBJECT: SPANISH JUDGE INDICTS 29 FOR MARCH 11 ATTACKS

¶1. (U) On April 11, National Court Judge Juan del Olmo released a 1460-page indictment of 29 people for their involvement in the March 11, 2004 Madrid train bombings that killed 191 people. Press reports say that after two years of investigation, the judge found that the local terrorist cell consulted with the operators of a terrorist website called Global Islamic Media, which had posted a document recommending attacks in Spain before the election in order to force Spain's withdrawal from Iraq. He determined that the terror attacks were inspired by, but not executed by, Osama Bin Laden's network. He also rejected any links between the Basque terrorist group ETA and the March 11 attacks.

¶2. (U) Following are the names of the 29 indictees and an informal translation of the charges contained in the indictment:

-- Jamal Zougam (DBOP Morocco / 10 MAY 1973)

Charged as material author of 191 terrorist murders and 1755 attempted murders, plus one count of belonging to a terrorist organization. The owner of a Madrid (Lavapies) phone shop that sold some of the phone cards used by the terrorists to attack the trains.

-- Abdelmajid Bouchar (DBOP Morocco / 9 JAN 1983)

Charged as material author of 191 terrorist murders and 1755 attempted murders, plus one count of belonging to a terrorist organization and another of trafficking, possessing, supplying or storing explosives.

-- Jose Emilio Suarez Trashorras (DBOP Spain / 10 DEC 1976)

Charged with collaborating with a terrorist organization by helping the attackers with the theft of dynamite used in the train bombings. Also charged with cooperating in 192 terrorist murders (the 191 who died on the trains on March 11, plus one who died on April 3 when the police tried to raid the house in Leganes where the terrorists were hiding out) and 18 attempted murders (associated with the explosion in Leganes). In addition, charged with trafficking, possessing, supplying or storing explosives; another of auto theft; falsifying license plates and other documents; and drug trafficking. Formerly a miner in Asturias.

-- Rafa Zouhier (DBOP Morocco / 15 JUN 1979)

Charged with collaborating with a terrorist organization and with trafficking, possessing, supplying, and storing explosives.

-- Fouad El Morabit Amghar, Mouhannad Almallah Dabas, and Basel Ghalyoun (DBOP Syria 25 FEB 1980)

Charged with belonging to a terrorist organization.

-- Hamid Ahmidan, Rachid Aglif, Mohamed Bouharrat, Brahim Moussaten, Mohamed Moussaten, Saed El Harrak, and Abdelilah El Fadoual El Akil

Charged with collaborating with a terrorist organization and with drug trafficking.

-- Antonio Toro Castro, Javier Gonzalez Diaz, Emilio Llano Alvarez, Raul Gonzalez Pelaez, Sergio Alvarez Sanchez, Antonio Ivan Reis (also Ruiz) Palicio, and Ivan Granados Pena Charged with trafficking, transporting, or supplying explosives.

-- Carmen Maria Toro Castro  
Charged with trafficking, transporting, or supplying explosives. Also charged with drug trafficking.

-- Otman El Gnaoui (DBOP Morocco 5 APR 1975)  
Charged with collaborating with a terrorist organization; trafficking, transporting, supplying or storing explosives; vehicle theft; and falsification of official documents.

-- Nasreddine Bousbaa and Mahmoud Slimane Aoun  
Charged with collaborating with a terrorist organization and falsification of official documentation.

-- Rabei Osman El Sayed Ahmed (DBOP Egypt / 22 JUL 1971), Youssef Belhadj (DBOP Morocco / 27 MAY 1976), and Hassan El Haski (DBOP Morocco / 5 AUG 1963)  
Charged with belonging to a terrorist organization and conspiracy to commit an attack (191 murders and 1755 attempted murders).

-- Mohamed Larbi Ben Sellam  
Charged with belonging to a terrorist organization and encouraging suicide.  
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